

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF INVERTEBRATE  
PALEONTOLOGY.

The Professor of Invertebrate Paleontology respectfully reports, that during the year he has delivered a course of twenty-seven lectures (with practical demonstration) on paleontology, which, as heretofore, has been attended largely by teachers of the various city schools. A special course on geology, arranged at the request of the Teachers' Institute of Philadelphia, was also delivered in the Hall of the Academy, as a continuation of a similar course given before the same body in the spring and autumn of 1884. The attendants at these lectures numbered between 100 and 150. Both courses of instruction in the class-room were supplemented by a number of field excursions in the region about Philadelphia, ranging to Orange, N. J., and the Atlantic coast, and by a twelve days' trip to the Valley of the Upper Delaware.

The collections of the Academy in the department of Invertebrate Paleontology have received no very material accessions during the year; special mention may be made of a beautiful slab of crinoids, from the Carboniferous Limestone of Iowa, generously given to the Society by Mr. Charles Wachsmuth, whose important papers on the Paleocrinoidea, prepared in conjunction with Mr. Springer, are being published in the Proceedings of the Academy.

Through a re-arrangement of the collections contained in the Museum opportunity has been afforded for the proper arrangement and display of the collections illustrating European paleontology, which have up till now been largely inaccessible and placed in drawers. The proper identification and labeling of species will, however, be a matter of time.

Very respectfully,

ANGELO HEILPRIN,

*Prof. of Invertebrate Paleontology.*

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF INVERTEBRATE  
ZOOLOGY.

The Professor of Invertebrate Zoology respectfully reports that during the past year he has delivered a course on some of

the Principles of Zoology, consisting of about twenty (20) lectures.

He further reports that the collections under his charge have somewhat increased, the increase not being as great as that of the previous year.

The principal donation was a collection of Echinoderms, presented by Mr. John Ford.

A few crustaceans were presented by Mr. C. McCormick.

A course of ten lectures will be given in the spring of the coming year (April and May), the subject being, "Special Senses."

Very respectfully,

BENJAMIN SHARP,  
*Professor of Invertebrate Zoology.*

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#### REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF ETHNOLOGY AND ARCHÆOLOGY.

I have the honor to report that during the year 1885 a course of ten lectures was delivered in the hall of the Academy, on the ethnology and archæology of America. They were illustrated with maps, drawings, and by means of specimens obtained from the various collections within the rooms of the Academy. The lecture hall was usually well filled, and quite as much interest was manifested by the audience as could be expected from the nature of the topics discussed.

The collections of the Academy in this department are substantially the same as noted in the last report. It would be easy to increase them, were there ample accommodations for the favorable display of objects.

Respectfully,

D. G. BRINTON, M. D.,  
*Professor of Ethnology and Archæology.*